

## MONTGOMERY COUNTY ETHICS COMMISSION

## Public Meeting of February 6, 2017

## Minutes

## IN ATTENDANCE:

Commissioners: Steve Rosen, Chair

Kenita Barrow, Vice-Chair

Barbara Fredericks

Rahul Goel Claudia Herbert

Staff Members: Robert W. Cobb, Chief Counsel

Erin Chu

Item 1. The meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m.

Item 2. The Commission approved the minutes from the January 19, 2017, meeting as presented.

Item 3. Mr. Cobb discussed developments as regards the regulation that has been submitted to the County Council. In particular, as regards the changes to the regulation that have been floated to the County Attorney's Office and Legislative Counsel, Cobb reported that to date no serious issues have been identified. Mr. Cobb said Mr. Lattner of the County Attorney's Office said the position of the Ethics Commission might be workable. Moreover, Mr. Cobb said that Mr. Lattner thought it would be a good idea for the County Executive to issue a separate regulation governing Sworn Police outside employment to parallel negotiated requirements.

Item 4. Mr. Cobb mentioned that he was working on the Annual Report and would be circulating a draft to the Commission in the next week or so. Additionally, Mr. Cobb

discussed an approach to training of all public financial disclosure filers on a three year cycle. The default training would be in-person training with all appropriate notice and tracking mechanisms. This concept is being reviewed by those responsible for operating the County's learning management system. After that, it will be shared with County Executive leadership.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert W Cobb

Robert W. Cobb Chief Counsel